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form application (FCC Form 175). Such consent shall include consent to the audit of the applicant's or licensee's books, documents and other material (including accounting procedures and practices) regardless of form or type, sufficient to confirm that such applicant's or licensee's representations are, and remain, accurate. Such consent shall include inspection at all reasonable times of the facilities, or parts thereof, engaged in providing and business, transacting or keeping records regarding licensed 800 MHz SMR service and shall also include consent to the interview of principals, employees, customers and suppliers of the applicant or licensee.

(3) *Definitions.* The terms affiliate, small business, very small business consortium of small businesses, consortium of very small businesses, and gross revenues used in this section are defined in § 90.912.

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Subpart W—Competitive Bidding Procedures for the 220 MHz Service

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§ 90.1001 220 MHz service subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications for 220 MHz geographic area licenses are subject to competitive bidding procedures. The procedures set forth in part 1, subpart Q, of this chapter will apply unless otherwise provided in this part.

§ 90.1003 Competitive bidding design for the 220 MHz service.

A simultaneous multiple round auction will be used to choose from among mutually exclusive initial applications for 220 MHz geographic area licenses, unless the Commission specifies otherwise by Public Notice prior to the competitive bidding procedure.

§ 90.1005 Competitive bidding mechanisms.

(a) Sequencing. The Commission will establish and may vary the sequence in

which $220~\mathrm{MHz}$ geographic area licenses are auctioned.

- (b) *Grouping.* The Commission will determine which licenses will be auctioned simultaneously or in combination
- (c) *Minimum bid increments*. The Commission may, by public announcement before or during an auction, require minimum bid increments in dollar or percentage terms.
- (d) *Stopping rules*. The Commission may establish stopping rules before or during an auction in order to terminate the auction within a reasonable time.
- (e) Activity rules. The Commission may establish activity rules which require a minimum amount of bidding activity. In the event that the Commission establishes an activity rule in connection with a simultaneous multiple round auction, each bidder may request waivers of such rule during the auction. The Commission may, by public announcement either before or during the auction, specify or vary the number of waivers available to each bidder.

§ 90.1007 Withdrawal, default and disqualification payments.

The Commission will impose payments on bidders who withdraw high bids during the course of an auction, who default on payments due after an auction terminates, or who are disqualified. When the Commission conducts a simultaneous multiple round auction, payments will be calculated as set forth in §§1.2104(g) and 1.2109 of this chapter. When the amount of such a payment cannot be determined, a deposit of up to 20 percent of the amount bid on the license will be required.

§ 90.1009 Bidding application (FCC Form 175 and 175–S Short-form).

Each applicant to participate in competitive bidding for 220 MHz geographic area licenses must submit an application (FCC Forms 175 and 175–S) pursuant to the provisions of §1.2105 of this chapter.

§ 90.1011 Submission of upfront payments and down payments.

(a) The Commission will require applicants to submit an upfront payment prior to the start of a 220 MHz service